

Interview Summary

Application No.

09/162,444

Applicant's

TANAKA ET AL

Examiner

HOA NGUYEN

Group Art Unit

2784

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) HOA NGUYEN (USPTO)

(3) Mr. Carl Brundidge

(2) Mr. Kaseguma & Mr. Irtbue (assignees' Representatives)

(4) Mr. Randall Svihla

Date of Interview: Apr 6, 2000

Type: ☐ Telephonic ☒ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☒ applicant's representative).Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description:Agreement ☐ was reached. ☒ was not reached.Claim(s) discussed: all independent claims of record

Identification of prior art discussed:

none

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Discussed new language added to each independent claim, applicant will amend these language as agreed. Discussedthe "wherein" clauses in claims 24, 26-30, the examiner will reconsider applicant arguments during the interview and in his remarks. Newly substituted specification is acceptable. Applicant indicated their intention for adding the new claims 33-44 which is mainly directed to non-means-plus function claims.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. ☐ Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.

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